

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 29, 1999

S. 439

A bill to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on October 20, 1999

CBO estimates that implementing S. 439 would have no impact on the federal budget. Because S. 439 would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 439 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

S. 439 would adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest in Nevada to exclude roughly 2,000 acres of private land that is currently within that boundary. As a result, any future conservation easements on the affected private land would be managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) rather than the Forest Service. The boundary adjustment would not affect the management of public lands, and based on information from BLM, we estimate that enacting this bill would have no impact on federal spending.

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